

**TOWN OF GRANBY  
CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION 2011  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 11, 2012**

**PRESENT:** Francis Brady, Chairman; Diane Hernsdorf, Annie Hornish, Lowell Johnson, Sheri Litchfield, Jim Lofink, Melissa Migliaccio, and David Russell

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Public was in attendance.

The meeting of the Charter Revision Commission 2011 was called to order by Chairman Francis Brady at 7:30 p.m. It is noted Terri Ann Hahn was not feeling well and left before the meeting was started.

**PUBLIC**

Steve Walczewski, 45 Lakeside Drive, Granby, came to the meeting to express his opinion about the budget process. He does not think increasing the number of people necessary to approve and vote on the budget is the right approach; his preference would be to go to an automatic referendum allowing for a greater number of people to vote. Mr. Walczewski left some information with the Commission to review and consider.

Chairman Brady thanked Mr. Walczewski for his comment and indicated the Commission is taking this under review.

**MINUTES**

The Commission reviewed the meeting minutes of March 14, 2012.

ON A MOTION by Diane Hernsdorf, seconded by Sheri Litchfield, the Commission voted (8-0-0) to approve the meeting minutes of March 14, 2012 as presented.

The Commission reviewed the meeting minutes of March 28, 2012. Noted were two changes to be made in the attachment entitled "B Insert for Meeting Minutes – March 28, 2012". They are: (1) page one, third paragraph, third line, delete the words "Town Manager" and replace with "First Selectman". (2) page two, first paragraph, third line, change to read "paper ballot" or "secret ballot" instead of mandating a "machine vote." The second change was a grammar format change.

ON A MOTION by Jim Lofink, seconded by Lowell Johnson, the Commission voted (8-0-0) to approve the meeting minutes of March 28, 2012 as amended.

**ADDRESS SIGNIFICANT ISSUES AS TO THE CHARTER RAISED IN FEBRUARY 24, 2012  
MEMORANDUM**

Highlights as to the document "Address Significant Issues as to the Charter" are incorporated in the minutes as an attachment for Chapters Two (2) and Three (3).

## **CONTINUE DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF 2002 CHARTER**

The Commission further discussed the town budget approval process, the citizens' input so far, and the importance of an informed vote.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Commission reviewed the meeting schedule for the next six (6) meetings, which are April 25<sup>th</sup>, May 9<sup>th</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup>, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, May 30<sup>th</sup>, and June 6<sup>th</sup>. On May 9<sup>th</sup> not all the members would be available to attend. The recording secretary will take a poll of the members to change the meeting date of May 9<sup>th</sup>. May 16<sup>th</sup> is an additional meeting. They indicated with the tight schedule and six (6) more chapters to review, the meetings would start at 7:00 p.m. instead of 7:30 p.m.

ON A MOTION by Melissa Migliaccio, seconded by Lowell Johnson, the Commission voted (8-0-0) to approve the meeting schedule for the next six (6) meetings, with the exception of May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting to change once a new date is established, and all meetings to start at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

## **CONFIRM DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Charter Revision Commission 2011 next regular meeting is scheduled on April 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

ON A MOTION by Annie Hornish, seconded by Lowell Johnson, the Board voted unanimously (8-0-0) to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia I. Chieski  
Recording Secretary